

PUBLIC WORKS & PLANNING COMMITTEE

May 8, 2012

6:00 p.m.

Courthouse

MINUTES:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner Rhonda Allen  
Commissioner Jack Black  
Commissioner Tiffany Phillips  
Commissioner Chantho Sourinho  
Commissioner Robert Stevens  
Commissioner Brad Turner  
Commissioner Joe F. Jernigan, C

OTHERS PRESENT:

Ernest Burgess      Mac Nolen  
David Jones          Doug Demosi  
Del Corbitt          Mike Williams  
Merry Hickerson      Bob Gerard  
Becky Shelton

Chairman Jernigan presided and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with all members being present at that time.

MINUTES:

"Commissioner Black moved, seconded by Commissioner Sourinho, to approve the minutes of the last meeting as mailed. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT REPORT:

Superintendent Mike Williams first addressed the Committee presenting a proposed budget amendment of \$4,358 from Account #131-61000-502 (Building & Contents Insurance), \$32,738 from Account #131-61000-506 (Liability Insurance) and \$150,000 from Account #131-62000-409 (Crushed Stone) with \$187,096 to Account #131-61000-505 (Judgments) due to a judgment claim settlement against the Highway Department OJI accident and establishes reserves for other outstanding claims. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Black moved, seconded by Commissioner Allen, to approve the budget amendment of \$4,358 from Account #131-61000-502 (Building & Contents Insurance), \$32,738 from Account #131-61000-506 (Liability Insurance) and \$150,000 from Account #131-62000-409 (Crushed Stone) with \$187,096 to Account #131-61000-505 (Judgments). This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

Mr. Williams next presented proposed drainage easements. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Allen moved, seconded by Commissioner Turner, to approve drainage easements as presented including Tax Map 67, Parcel 42.00 (4021 E. Compton Road) - one easement; Tax Map 89, Parcel 8.00 (2618 Factory Road) - one easement and Magnolia Trace Sub. (Lots 144, 145, 159) - two easements. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Williams and Merry Hickerson next presented the proposed 2012/13 Highway Department budget advising it is \$528,646 or 5.3% less than the prior budget. The budget follows the new proposed pay plan as best the Highway Department can with employees receiving from 1.3% to 9% increases. Only one employee received the maximum of \$5,000. The Committee was advised the department has 64 positions available but is paying 58. Revenues are down due to the cost of gasoline and mineral severance is down to 65%. Mr. Williams advised the Highway Department has \$5,400,000 in fund reserve. Mr. Williams advised with his retirement, the new Superintendent may want to spend money differently than proposed in the budget presented. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Allen moved, seconded by Commissioner T. Phillips, to approve the 2012/13 Highway Department budget as presented. This motion passed by acclamation with Commissioner

Stevens voting "no" and Chairman Jernigan passing."

Mayor Burgess next reminded the Committee of the County's request to the State for a traffic signal at the Central Valley Road and Highway 231 intersection advising the State has approved the same to be fully funded by the County. The State, however, did say improvements need to be made to Central Valley Road with a right turn lane. Mr. Williams advised the work can be done if the right-of-way is procured and Eric Hill should be able to do this. Mayor Burgess asked Mr. Williams to have Mr. Hill determine the right-of-way cost to put in the upcoming budget.

#### CONVENIENCE CENTERS REPORT AND LANDFILL REPORT:

Mac Nolen presented the Convenience Centers and Landfill reports for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Black moved, seconded by Commissioner Allen, to approve the Convenience Centers and Landfill reports as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

Mr. Nolen next presented proposed budget amendments of \$6,000 from Account #116-55732-733 (Solid Waste Equipment) to Account #116-55732-450 (Tires & Tubes) and \$70,000 from Account #116-55732-724 (Site Development) to Account #116-55732-412 (Diesel Fuel). Following discussion,

"Commissioner Turner moved, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, to approve the budget amendments of \$6,000 from Account #116-55732-733 (Solid Waste Equipment) to Account #116-55732-450 (Tires & Tubes) and \$70,000 from Account #116-55732-724 (Site Development) to Account #116-55732-412 (Diesel Fuel). This motion passed unanimously by roll call vote."

The Committee was next presented a proposed Resolution for submission and acceptance of a litter and trash collection grant for County roads and a proposed Resolution to approve a contract with the State of Tennessee for litter removal activities on State highways. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Black moved, seconded by Commissioner Stevens, to approve the Resolutions as presented for submission and acceptance of a letter and trash collection grant for County roads and the contract with the State of Tennessee for litter removal activities on State highways. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

#### PLANNING COMMISSION REPORT:

Doug Demosi presented the Planning Commission report and subdivision lot inventory for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Allen moved, seconded by Commissioner Black, to approve the Planning Commission report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

The Committee was next provided a grant contract with the State of Tennessee, Department of Military, Tennessee Emergency Management Agency at a total cost of \$537,875 for demolition of three houses which flood. The Committee was advised the grant contract is funded 75% by Federal funds, 12 1/2% with State funds and 12 1/2% by the County so \$67,000 is needed in the upcoming budget. 25% of the County's 12 1/2% can be in kind for disposal of the houses at the landfill. The houses will have to be appraised and the owners will have to accept the offers. The houses will have to be tested for lead based paint and asbestos. After the houses are torn down, the vacant land will belong to the County and cannot be sold or built on. Two of the houses are not in the flood plain but do flood and the third was

built before building permits was issued.

Mayor Burgess advised the County has tried to remediate the situations with clearing of drainage ditches but has been unsuccessful. Commissioner Stevens advised he did not think it was the County's responsibility to fix all these flooding situations. Mayor Burgess advised this was an opportunity to fix on-going problems with someone else paying 87%. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Black moved, seconded by Commissioner Sourinho, to approve the grant contract with the State of Tennessee, Department of Military, Tennessee Emergency Management Agency and forward the same to the Budget Committee. This motion passed by acclamation with Commissioner Stevens voting "no".

#### BUILDING CODES REPORT:

David Jones presented the Building Codes report for the use and information of the Committee. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Turner moved, seconded by Commissioner T. Phillips, to approve the Building Codes report as presented. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

#### DEAD STOCK REMOVAL SERVICE AGREEMENT:

The Committee was next provided the Dead Stock Removal Service Agreement with Appertain Corporation and South Central Tennessee Development District. Mayor Burgess advised this is a renewal of the contract at the same rate as last year. Following discussion,

"Commissioner Stevens moved, seconded by Commissioner Allen, to approve the Dead Stock Removal Service Agreement and authorize execution of the same. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

#### RESCHEDULE JULY MEETING:

"Commissioner Turner moved, seconded by Commissioner Sourinho, the July Public Works Committee meeting will be held June 20, 2012. This motion passed unanimously by acclamation."

There appearing to be no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Jernigan declared the meeting adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

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JOE FRANK JERNIGAN, Chairman